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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Draft Minutes of the 18 March USIB Meeting

The attached draft minutes of the 18 March Intelligence Board meeting will be considered at the next regular Board meeting.

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JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Three-hundred-seventeenth Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
USIB Conference Room
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1000 hours, 18 March 1964

Director of Central Intelligence
John A. McCone
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Ray S. Cline, acting for Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Mr. Thomas L. Hughes,* Director of Intelligence and Research,
Department of State
Mr. George C. Denney, Jr.,* acting for Director of Intelligence and
Research, Department of State
Lieutenant General Joseph F. Carroll, Director, Defense Intelligence
Agency
Lieutenant General Gordon A. Blake, Director, National Security Agency
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to USIB
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Federal Bureau of Investigation representative
to USIB

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1. COMOR Report on High-Level Coverage of Cuba
(USIB-D-41.14/116 (COMOR-D-24/123) distributed through restricted channels)

(USIB consideration of this item is contained in USIB-D-41.14/117 (COMOR-D-24/124), limited distribution.)

2. Restricted Session

(An account of this item is carried in USIB-D-41.13/7 (COMOR-D-48/63), limited distribution through restricted channels.)

3. Executive Session

(The discussion in this executive session is contained in USIB-D-10.1/6, limited distribution.)

4. Approval of Minutes
11 March Meeting
(USIB-M-316, including Annex distributed through special channels; and records of action in USIB-D-64.6/5 (CCPC-D-5/64) and USIB-D-41.12/10, distributed through restricted channels)

Approved as amended.

5. Watch Report No. 708

Approved as amended.

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7. Main Trends in Soviet
Military Policies
(NIE 11-4-64)

The Chairman announced that he wished to postpone consideration of this estimate for two weeks. He requested the Board of National Estimates to consider how to sharpen up the estimate in an endeavor to make it more useful to the policy makers. General Carroll agreed with the Chairman, saying that as it now stood it appeared to represent "all things to all men".

Dr. Kent expressed the hope that each USIB member would make his views on the estimate available to his representative to assist in the coordination of a revised version.

The Board then agreed to:

- a. Remand the estimate to the BNE for reconsideration and revision.
- b. Coordination of the revised version with USIB representatives.
- c. Place the revised version of this estimate on the USIB agenda for 1 April.

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8. The Outlook for Italy
(NIE 24-64)

a. Approved as amended.

b. No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

Executive Session

At 1225, the Chairman again convened the Board in executive session for the following items.

9. Possible Unauthorized
Disclosure in Newsweek
Article

The Board was provided copies of a memorandum from the Chairman of the USIB Security Committee on the subject. There followed a brief discussion centering on the great difficulty in tracing the source of the information contained in such an article.

The Board then directed that the matter be taken up by the USIB Security Committee for further analysis and specific recommendations to the Board, prior to the initiation of inquiries or investigations.

Adjournment: 1235

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